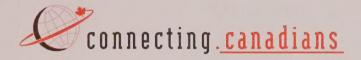
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Canada's SchoolNet is a collaborative initiative led by Industry Canada, in partnership with provincial and territorial governments, the education community and the private sector. SchoolNet aims to provide high-speed access to the Information Highway to Canadian schools and libraries. The program is a part of *Connecting Canadians*, the Government of Canada's strategy to keep Canada among the leaders in connecting its citizens to the Internet. Following is a listing of some of SchoolNet's programs. If you wish to learn more about SchoolNet, please call **1-800-575-9200**, write to **schoolnet@ic.gc.ca** or visit **www.schoolnet.ca**.

SchoolNet GrassRoots Program

Education administrators know that students need information and communication technology (ICT) skills for their future endeavours. The SchoolNet GrassRoots Program can complement your e-learning strategy. SchoolNet offers funding so that teachers and students can work together to create interactive learning projects for the Internet. Participants have developed online book clubs, web pages about historical events and interactive educational games. The SchoolNet GrassRoots Program offers support for both individual activities and those involving more than one school board or classroom. Visit www.schoolnet.ca/grassroots to find out how to get your schools involved.

SchoolNet Network of Innovative Schools

Canada is recognized as a world leader in e-learning. When it comes to integrating ICT into learning, our schools are among the most innovative. SchoolNet realizes that this success is critical, as it will shape how Canadians learn and teach. That is why SchoolNet has joined with the Canadian Association of School Administrators to create the SchoolNet Network of Innovative Schools. Selected innovative schools are leaders in using ICT to improve learning. They are committed to mentoring other schools and to being involved in research concerning ICT and innovation. Some of their strategies and results are posted on the SchoolNet Network of Innovative Schools web site at www.schoolnet.ca/nis-rei a valuable source of ideas and best practices for school administrators and teachers. To learn about how to best integrate ICT into your school's curriculum or to apply to be a member, visit the site today!

SchoolNet's Online Educators' Forums

Want to share your experiences on ICT in the classroom with other teachers and administrators? Do you have a question you would like to pose to your fellow educational professionals? Register with SchoolNet's Online Educators' Forums at www.schoolnet.ca/forums and you will find peers from across the country engaged in intelligent, practical discussions in English and French. Topics range from Innovation in Canadian Schools to Technology Integration across the Curriculum to Knowledge Building in Schools.





SchoolNet Youth Employment Initiative

Nothing helps ease the challenges of integrating ICT into the classroom better than personal, hands-on support. Who better to offer that service than young people growing up in a wired world? SchoolNet's Youth Employment Initiative unites schools and libraries with enthusiastic young people to support the development of e-learning. SchoolNet, with the help of provincial and territorial Ministries of Education and libraries, provides funds to hire unemployed or underemployed young people, ages 15 to 30, to work as ICT ambassadors in schools and libraries across Canada. The young people help the schools and libraries maintain their technical equipment and demonstrate how to use the Internet effectively. Teachers, students and community members become more familiar with computer technology and young people get valuable job experience to help make the transition from school to work. To find out how to get involved, visit www.schoolnet.ca/yei.

SchoolNet Support Parents

Getting parents involved in their children's education is a key goal for school administrators. As schools incorporate ICT into their classrooms, parents can make important contributions. SchoolNet Support Parents is a low-cost initiative to give parent volunteers the basic Internet skills they need to contribute at school. Once familiar with the technology, parents can help teachers and students find useful and appropriate resources, resulting in a more involved school community. For more information, please visit www.stellar.nf.ca/sssp.





